

## 'POSSUM SKINS SELL \$1,000 PER MINUTE

SALES AT ST. LOUIS FOOTED  
\$450,000 AND TRANSACTIONS  
CLOSE TONIGHT.

Sales at auction of furs at the Funsten Fur Exchange, 115-17 South Second street, amounted to nearly \$1,000 per minute for almost half an hour Friday night when 22,200 Australian opossum skins were sold in less than thirty minutes. The average price of the skins was \$1 each. The lot was placed on the block at 7:45 o'clock and the last had been sold at 8:15.

P. B. Fouke, president of the Funsten Bros. Fur Company and one of the auctioneers, said the total sales for the auction would amount to \$2,000,000. The sale will close to-night as scheduled.

When the sale closes to-night 1,700,000 skins will have been sold. The stock to be offered today includes 86,000 skunk skins and 958,000 muskrat skins.

Buyers from concerns dealing in fur wraps anticipate a big demand for fox furs during the coming winter and bid heavily for 2,200 cross fox skins which were sold yesterday. The highest price for a single fur skin was \$70. Fox fur prices at the present sales are 25 per cent higher than prices at the sale last January, according to Albert M. Ahern, vice president of the company. The total sales yesterday amounted to \$450,000.

The furs sold during the day were 9,400 wolf, 48,000 raccoon, 33,000 Russian squirrel, 1,600 bear, 49 musk ox, 770 mutton, 2,200 gause, 28,800 nutria, 1,179 dog mats, 2,000 gray fox, 10,800 martens and 2,200 cross fox.

The 400 buyers who are attending the sale will depart tomorrow morning for New York City on the "furs" special, a special Pennsylvania line train, which will make direct connection with steamers for Europe.

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## AMERICAN AVIATOR IS KILLED IN AIR BATTLE

Paris, Sept. 23.—Kiffin Rockwell, the Atlanta aviator attached to the American squad, was shot dead this morning at 10 o'clock in the course of an air battle on the Alsace front.

Rockwell rose at 5:30 o'clock, alone, in an armored machine and fearlessly attacked a German Taube. He succeeded in emptying the magazine of his rapidfiring with accurate aim, but while turning to encircle his opponent, he received a bullet in the head and dropped like a stone. Death was instantaneous.

The body was taken with all honors to a military hospital. The funeral took place Monday.

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Feldspar is used in large quantities in both the body and the glaze of pottery and tile and in the manufacture of enameled ware. Considerable feldspar is used also in the manufacture of abrasive material, particularly scouring soaps, and feldspar of inferior grade is used in making ready roofing material and as chicken grits. Some feldspars are potash bearing, and efforts have therefore been made to use them as a fertilizer, but thus far without commercial success. Efforts to treat feldspars in order to make the potash in them more soluble, or at least more readily available as plant food, give some promise of success, and small amounts have been so used during the last year, most of the feldspar so treated having been added to so-called complete fertilizers.

The production in 1915, according to Frank J. Katz, of the United States Geological Survey, amounted

to 113,769 short tons, valued at \$629,356, which, though a decrease of 16 per cent in quantity and a very slight decrease in value as compared with 1914, is a much greater value than in former years. The prices paid for feldspar in 1915 were about the same as in recent preceding years, averaging about \$3.50 per long ton for crude material of pottery grade and about \$8.33 per short ton for ground material for pottery. Better grades of ground material brought \$10.50 to \$11 per short ton. Maine ranked first in quantity and value of its output, and all feldspar shipped from that State was of high grade. North Carolina, New York, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Maryland, California, New Hampshire, and Virginia were also producers in relative quantities indicated by the order in which the States are named.

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## THOUSANDS SEE GIRL OF TWENTY SPANKED

Chicago, Ill., September 24.—Miss Marjorie Bretz, 20 years old, and pretty, was spanked by her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Bretz, Thursday, to the amusement of a large crowd.

The spanking took place at the corner of State and Washington streets, just when thousands of clerks were pouring out of the stores for luncheon, and other thousands of shoppers were beginning to come off the elevated and other trains.

Mother and daughter were taken to the Central Detail Station and eventually to Moral Court.

"It all started over a loan shark," said Mrs. Bretz. "A year ago Marjorie borrowed \$35 from one of them and has paid back more than \$100. She arranged with her employers to hold out \$4 a week, and I just found it out. So I chastised her."

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He carried six passengers, and rose to a height of 19,000 feet. The previous record with the same number of passengers was recently achieved in France by Poire, but the height reached was only 9,000 feet.

Antonacci used an Italian army biplane.

## Treatment Helped Some.

"Let me kiss those tears away," he begged tenderly. She fell into his arms and he was busy for the next few minutes. And yet the tears flowed on. "Can nothing stop them?" he asked breathlessly.

"No," she murmured, "it is his fever, you know. But go on with the treatment."

## She'll See.

Young married Thing—I am now quite convinced that there is no life so happy as a married one.

The Flapper—How long have you been married?

Young Married Thing—Since last Tuesday week.—Passing Show.

## A Domestic Episode.

"A penn'orth each of liniment and liquid cement, please."

"Are they both for the same person, or shall I wrap them up separately?"

"Well, I dunno. Muvver's broke 'er teapot, so she wants the cement, but farrer wants the liniment. 'E's what muvver broke 'er teapot on."

—Pall Mall Gazette.

## Coincidental.

At a certain kindergarten in Milwaukee recently one of the small pupils seemed especially anxious to tell the teacher something.

"Well, Nan, what is it?" the teacher finally asked, in response to the frantic waving of the tot's hand.

"I got a new little sister today!" panted the wee one.

"Oh, Nan, that was lovely," said the teacher. "Where did you get her?"

"Dr. Brown brought her," replied the child.

Another little hand shot up into the air in an excited way, and the teacher asked this little girl what was the matter.

"We take off him, too," she said,

## FARM DEPARTMENT

### Main Factors in Keeping Poultry.

The main factors in keeping poultry are environment, proper selection of breeding stock, feeding a properly balanced ration and plenty of it, and selling properly.

The first essential is good breeding stock. The average scrub hen of the south is not a paying investment. She gleams from the waste products of the farm her living in most cases, and the amount of cash brought in is often almost pure gain. A big improvement can be made in the farm flocks by buying a small pen of pure bred, keeping them through the winter and selling or eating the eggs that you get from them and using them for breeders the next spring. Or it is possibly better to buy from a high-class breeder a pen of birds that have been used in his breeding pens and keep them through the winter for next year's breeding stock. They will possibly be kept at an expense during the fall, as two-year-old hens as a rule do not lay until about January. You can get enough eggs from a pen of five good hens to raise a good many chickens the first year. It will not be long until you can have a flock of pure bred and sell many eggs during the breeding season for good prices.

A good house is essential, and now is the time to build and get ready a good home for the hens to use through the winter season. You cannot hope to get eggs when the hens are exposed to the weather. They need a house with three tight sides and free from dampness.

The feed necessary for hens can be raised on Southern farms and there need not be any feed at all purchased. Milk is the best and cheapest form of protein. Every farm should have a big surplus of milk to feed to the hens. Combine cottonseed meal and corn meal for a mash and then use corn and wheat as a scratch ration, and you can get eggs during the winter season if you have the right kind of hens.

The demand for a better quality of eggs is now being received is almost unlimited, provided you can produce out of season. If you produce eggs only during the spring you cannot hope for a good price. The big demand is during the hot summer months and throughout the winter.

Eggs are a fine cash crop and will do much toward easing up the table expense.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

### The Petrified Forest.

The petrified forest of Arizona, really a series of petrified forests, lies a short distance south of Adamana, on the line of the Santa Fe Railway. There are four forests, included in a government reservation called Petrified Forest National Monument, created by presidential proclamation in 1906. The name "forest" is not strictly appropriate, for the petrified tree trunks are all prostrate and are broken into sections. The logs are the remains of giant trees that grew in Triassic time, the age of reptiles. The trees were of several kinds, but most of them related to the Norfolk Island pine, now used for indoor decoration. Doubtless they grew in a nearby region and, after falling, drifted down a water course and lodged in some eddy or a sand bank. Later they were buried by sand and clay, finally to a depth of several thousand feet. The conversion to stone was effected by gradual replacement of the woody material by silica in the form called chalcedony, deposited by underground water. A small amount of iron oxides deposited at the same has given the brilliant and beautiful brown, yellow and red tints which appear in much of the material.

Some of the tree trunks are six feet in diameter and more than 100 feet in length. In the first forest there is a fine trunk that forms a natural bridge over a small ravine, the water having first washed away the overlying clay and sand and then, following a crevice, worked out the channel underneath. The length of this log is 110 feet, and the diameter four feet at the butt and one and one-half feet at the top.

The petrified woods are beautiful objects for study. When thin slices are carefully ground to a thickness of 0.003-inch or less and placed under the microscope they show perfectly the original wood structure, all the cells being distinct, though now they are replaced by chalcedony. By studying the section F. H. Knowlton of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, has found that most of these araucarian trees were of the species *raucariyxylon arizonicum*, a tree now extinct. It is known to have lived at the same geologic time also in the east-central part of the United States, where the remains of some of its associates have also been found. These included other cone-bearing trees, tree ferns, cycads and gigantic

horsetails, which indicate that at that time the rainfall was abundant.—United States Geological Survey.

### Make Farm Home Attractive.

In the design and construction of the farmhouse the question of utility alone should not be the determining factor. The first thought should be the making of a home. The amount of money to be invested in the building of the home should not be determined by its relation in size to the balance of the plant, nor by the amount that is necessary merely to provide a shelter, but the amount to be invested should be that which the owner may reasonably afford without financially crippling himself too severely. The average city dweller in buying a house for a home does not proceed solely on the basis of what he can expect to secure in case it is ever desirable to place the house on the market. He is not likely to consider the purchase of a home as a financial investment but as a social one, which will enable him to secure for his family the comforts and conveniences that he could not secure in a rented house, and to have for his family a genuine home, a genuine home life. If he is able when the time arrives to dispose of his property to financial advantage, well and good; if not, he considers, and properly so, that he has made a good investment from the social side.

There is no panacea that will cure the yearning for city life evinced by the country boys and girls of to-day, but there are certain conditions, which, if established, will add materially to the attractiveness of life in the country, and should therefore prevent them from flocking to the cities merely to avoid life on the farm. It is not to be expected that every person reared on a farm will desire to follow farming as a life work, nor is it necessarily desirable that they should do so. Many of the boys will feel a calling to one or another of the professions, and it is probable that if allowed to follow their bent they will be far more successful and contented than if over-persuaded to stay with the farm. The problem is not to force the boy or girl to remain on the farm, but to assist them in every way in making an intelligent choice. Their choice can not possibly be intelligent unless they are familiar with farm life under its best conditions.—E. B. McCormick, Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering, Yearbook, 1915.

### Do You Know That—

In Persia the wedding service is read in front of a fire. In Nicaragua the priest, taking the couple each by the little fingers, leads them to an apartment where a fire is lighted, and there instructs the bride in her duties, extinguishing the fire by way of conclusion. In Japan the woman kindles a torch and the bridegroom lights one from it, the playthings of the wife being then burned.

### Method In His Madness.

"You shouldn't lose your temper and say harsh things in debate."

"I'm not losing my temper," replied Senator Sorghum. "A man who loses his temper is at a disadvantage. I'm saying the harsh things so as to persuade the other fellow to lose his."—Washington Star.

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